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## EAST - WEST CLUB FORMED

### FOREIGN AIDS ASSURED BY DIPLOMATS

Foreign Diplomatic Missions in Canberra today warmly welcomed the formation of an East West Club — a cultural organisation — in the Australian National University here.

Apart from giving their sincere blessings, spokesmen and officials of the missions also promised to help the Club achieve its aims.

The East West Club, a social, international and cultural organisation, came to existence through the inspirations of a few enthusiasts who believe in fostering better understanding and close international relationships as a means of achieving peace and harmony.

When the plan to form this club was first announced, it stimulated a great deal of interest among the Australian students in particular, and consequently attempts were then made to get both the Asian and the Australian organisers together.

Rather unfortunately owing to lack of publicity some of the Asian students were reluctant to participate.

But it was not until after some comments had been published in WORONI that the Asian students changed their minds and offered their help in getting the club going.

#### Council's support

The President of the Students' Representative Council, Mr. Ron Fraser, besides getting a few members of the Council to help the organisers, commented that he personally felt that the East West Club would play an interesting role in bringing the students together.

And as it was considered that the Club would help to unite the various races together various diplomatic missions were then asked to express their opinions and whether or not they were willing to give any possible support to it.

#### Diplomatic help

My first call was to the Public Affairs Officer, Mr. L. Roberts, of the American Embassy, who readily said, "This is one of the things which the United States Information Service is advocating in its service."

"The Embassy will be most interested in giving assistance in any way possible," he added.

When asked what he personally thought of the Club's aims to promote better understanding, Mr. Roberts remarked, "Improvement of relationships between countries can only be made through better understanding."

"By this we mean understanding on a people-to-people basis, and better understanding of customs,

traditions and institutions," he explained.

My next call was to the Embassy of the U.S.S.R. where I was introduced to Mr. Alex Finatov, a member of the Embassy staff.

Mr. Finatov, too, expressed his appreciation and said that it was an excellent idea, especially for the purpose of bettering understanding among the people of all countries in the world.

"I am sure this will help to create a better international relationship," he added.

#### Club recommended

From the Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia came the following encouraging comments from Mr. Baharom Shah, a diplomat:—

"As far as culture is concerned Indonesia is a rich country. There are about 200 dialects and groups in the Republic, each having its own work of arts."

Mr. Baharom Shah proudly stressed that the Indonesian students were very political minded as well and in that in every of the twenty universities in the Republic there was at least one international organisation.

Of racial discrimination and differences, Mr. Baharom Shah remarked, "There should be no racial distinctions whatsoever. We are all children of God."

He further recommended that the club should be patronised by everybody believing in Human Brotherhood.

#### Visit countries

Mr. Baharom Shah felt that another excellent way of getting to know the people would be to visit their countries and learn their ways of life.

He also promised to encourage all Indonesian students to take keener interest in the Club.

"For as long as the aim is to promote goodwill and better relationship, we are willing to give all possible assistance necessary," he added.

Another well-known diplomat, Mr. O. H. Amyott, of the Canadian High Commission, when asked to comment on the Club, replied, "Such a Club exists in Canada."

He added that the Canadian High Commission would be ready to provide films and literature on request, apart from welcoming the members and the

public to visit their library.

A spokesman of the Ceylon High Commission who similarly felt the need of such a Club in Australia, assured that he would only be too glad to supply all available materials to the Club.

"We have a fair number of students in Australia, especially in Melbourne and Sydney. We, too, like to promote better understanding among nations," he said.

#### Founder's angle

Perhaps it would be incomplete if the actual aims of the Club were not publicised further. And for this reason I have asked one of the founder members to express his need for the Club.

"We delegate our government to visit other countries at our own expense to foster closer international relationships. We welcome, on the other hand, on gigantic and colossal scale, various foreign delegates to our country for similar reasons."

"Why then can't we do the same thing on our own level at little or no expense at all?"

"No better way is there in getting to know the people and learning of the cultures, ways of life and problems, other than by becoming one of them. And we can't become one of them if we do not join them or their organisation."

"This Club should help to solve all problems," he stressed.

#### Free club

The East West Club is, I understand, open to everyone irrespective of race and faith and there is no membership fee at all. It is being run by a board of organisers consisting of enthusiasts from the various countries such as Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, Spain, Burma, Italy, United Kingdom, Thailand and New Zealand.

With the support of the Students' Representative Council it is felt that the Club would be assured of a bright and healthy future. Negotiations are now being held to plan the Club's first social venture.

And by the splendid offer of films and other materials from the various diplomatic missions here it is obvious therefore there will be plenty of social evenings to be organised by the Board.

The East West Club, as I see it, will not only be able to achieve its aims successfully, but also will play a very important role in shaping a better future for the overseas students in particu-

lar and the Australian students in general.

There will also be possibilities of the Club achieving greater co-ordination between the overseas student bodies, apart from being able to solve the problems which confront the overseas students studying in Australia.

The Club may also help to consider the contribution which the overseas students can give both to Australia and their own countries, besides helping the Australian students to participate more fully in the activities of the overseas students.

I am sure the Australian students can soon take greater responsibilities in imparting a better knowledge of Australia to overseas students, through the medium of this Club.

### THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

School of General Studies  
ANNUAL  
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Date of Examinations:

The Annual Examinations will commence on 30th October, 1961.

Closing Date for Entries:

Application forms to enter for the Annual Examinations are obtainable from the Student Administration Section and must be lodged in that office NOT LATER THAN THE LAST DAY OF SECOND TERM, 5th AUGUST, 1961. ALL STUDENTS wishing to sit for the examinations must lodge a formal application. No examination fee is payable.

Late Applications: Applications received after the last day of entry will be accepted only on payment of a late fee of £1.0.0.

NOTE: THE LAST DAY OF ENTRY IS FRIDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1961.

#### CONFERRING OF DEGREES OR DIPLOMAS

Candidates who complete a course for a degree or diploma at the Annual Examination must make application for the degree to be conferred at the Annual Graduation Ceremony in May, 1962. Application forms are available from the Student Administration Section and must be lodged NOT LATER THAN 18th JANUARY, 1962.

C. G. Plowman,  
Acting Registrar.  
Thursday, 18th May, 1961.

## COLUMNIST ATTACKED

Upon thinking of our columnist's first comments in his perplexing article "I write as I please," I think that it is necessary to say a few things.

He seems to think that simply because we are university students we must appeal to the public by continually and systematically demanding our rights. Is it essential to make these bids for public admiration or disapproval simply because we are university students?

Considering Australian Universities as a whole, one rarely hears of any active and responsible student demonstrations against infringement of their rights. Rather, it is a case of delighting themselves and the public with various Rag Days.

#### Conference uprising

This view is supported in an article in "The Student" (available, soaked in tea, on the Common Room floor) in which the only article concerning Australia that I have seen was one admiring the peace and active building programme of the A.N.U. The rest of the magazine's space is spent in describing student uprisings or conferences in Turkey, South Korea, Cuba, Southern U.S.A., France, Britain and many other countries.

The need to form an active guerrilla group at the A.N.U. does not exist, and a walk to Woomera to protest against missile launching is impractical.

Many issues have pages of vivid photos of all-in street fights, and students being arrested. Simply because other universities in other countries find it necessary to "fight" for their rights does not mean that we must take this up in Australia.

There is no need to picket a submarine base such as Holy Lock, because

these things are not over-publicised in Australia.

If our columnist becomes aware of any infringement of our rights, I feel that the matter could be dealt with by the S.R.C. and not by students parading through Canberra fighting and demonstrating.

As far as our feelings are concerned, may I inform our columnist that we do have, and are capable of having, them. Before we come to University we all have some sort of feelings and slant on life. To a large extent, these ideas are modified or accentuated at university, and throughout life. They are very personal things, the right or wrong of which will become conditioned through experience, and not through joining in a student protest simply because it is there.

If there is a need to "fight" or demonstrate, it will come through a unification of people holding the same view on the point of question.

#### Columnist not to worry

Our columnist does not need to worry, or stir up our feelings and ideals, for if there is any great need for a protest, it will come.

Myself, I prefer to remain incognito and be accused of being oblivious, rather than to actively run around agitating, and expressing my feelings, until the time, if ever, that there is any need to act or protest against an infringement of students' rights, or the rights of other people unjustly treated. It is unfortunate for our columnist that this year most of the students are content, or perhaps just ignorant and oblivious.

## OASIS

If your outgo exceeds your income, then your upkeep will be your downfall.

"I like looking at the back of the boys' doors." Freshette.

An optimist says his glass is half full; a pessimist says it is half empty.

A morality play is a play in which the characters are goblins, ghosts, virgins, and other supernatural creatures.

"I'm fed up with being good." Jenny J.

When choosing a name for the Hall of Residence, the motion put to the Council to call it "Bruce College" was defeated by one vote.

"A woman doesn't chase a man — but then the trap doesn't chase the rat." Tom Gaffney.

Overheard: "But they couldn't make a play out of Lady Chatterley — there's no action in it."

Deft definition: An eavesdropper is a kind of bird.

Where is the man who has the power and skill To stem the torrent of a woman's will? For if she will, she will, you may depend on it, And if she won't, she won't, and there's an end on it. Anon.

Socrates died from an overdose of wedlock.

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# EDITORIAL COLUMN

## Reply to criticism

Recently the Editor has been the butt of much abuse because WORONI appears at such infrequent intervals. He is now exercising his right of official reply.

First:— What does a newspaper require? It requires support from contributors, who supply their material, not "some-time" but on a deadline date. Does Woroni get this? NO!

Would you like your newspaper to be an adequate mirror of your opinion or of the Editor's? I assure you that I could write the whole caboodle in half the time it takes to round up articles. But then it would be like WORONI of yesteryears, and did you complain then!!

A paper also requires freedom from excessive financial weakness. We shall only produce four page issues because that is all the S.R.C. can afford. We would like to produce a newspaper every week but that would cost in the neighbourhood of £1300 a year plus blocks, etc. Your S.R.C. funds in toto would not cover such expense.

You say why does the printer take so long? We are not responsible for the printer but you only get prompt service when you pay good rates. We do not!

We have produced every WORONI at three week intervals as we promised. Normally we do not bring out an issue during the vacation. We have essays too. This year we attempted to produce a WORONI during the vacation but it went on the rocks due to student apathy. Contributors "forgot" about articles. Some went astray in the post. Others just disregarded their obligations to send in articles. An editor cannot hunt up people in Wollongong, Wagga, etc., if he is in Canberra.

We suggest that all the grumblers start helping to make WORONI appear more regularly by getting off their big fat backsides and writing when we need them.

# A "Hydeing" For Communism

Christianity is the only force which can effectively combat communism! That was the chief point brought forward by Douglas Hyde in his talk at the University towards the end of first term.

He spoke of his years as a communist lecturer in London, and pointed out that the communist aims at the breaking down of established society in order to bring about the abolition of capitalism, private property, and the proletariat.

Then he described his encounters with various communist leaders since his becoming a Roman Catholic, and leaving the Communist Party.

However, he did not really say why he left the Communist Party, nor did he attempt to explain even in a simple form the goal for which the communist ultimately aims. Had he done so, it would have undoubtedly been an aid to those of us who had no knowledge of Marxism barring the slogan "Workers of the World Unite."

### Internationalism of Communism

A point on which he spent some time was that of establishing the internationalism of communism. This was done by recounting a conversation with a Filipino communist guerrilla leader, during which he discovered that the same textbooks and pamphlets were used to spread the teachings of dialectical materialism and communism generally.

What Mr. Hyde hoped to achieve by this I do not know, for he did not assign any special significance to it. If he was showing that communism is the same the whole world over, it does not prove anything either way.

As regards dialectical materialism, of which I knew nothing at all at the time, his attitude seemed to be that of one who still had

great reverence for that approach to history and science.

It was a strength of the Communist that he was armed with such a method of reasoning, in Mr. Hyde's opinion. That night I had the feeling that he felt some regret at leaving the Communist Party, and still was not entirely convinced that its teachings on materialism were untrue. Even if the observation is correct, it is most likely that any such feeling is subconscious.

There were extreme countries where communism had been repelled despite the impoverished state of their economics. As an example he cited British Honduras where the principal crops are coffee, bananas, maize, rice, citrus fruits and sugar cane, none of which bring much in the way of income.

The instance he cited was one where the representatives of British Honduras rejected an offer from Khrushchev to help the country after having been treated to a sumptuous dinner at Russian expense.

The predominant religion in British Honduras, said Mr. Hyde, is Roman Catholic. And it was the religion of the people, their Christianity which gave them the bolstering necessary to reject communism.

If by this he means their religion relieved them of the necessity to think about the problems posed, I might agree with him. When he was asked how many shares the Honduras leaders had in the sugar cane industry, Mr. Hyde was appalled at the cynical attitude taken by the questioner. He at least had sufficient faith in human nature to trust that the actions of man were not generally motivated by sheer self interest. Nor did he at any time suggest that the communists were motivated by self interest rather than the good of mankind.

He made the obvious point that in order to oppose communism successfully the Western Nations must be armed with a strong ideology.

### Christianity is Communism

Christianity was his answer to this problem and on the basis of countries similar to British Honduras he attempted to theorise that where there was religion there was not communism, hence by spreading Christianity, the West could defeat communism. Conversely it may be argued that where there is communism there is not Christianity but apart from that I think he failed to answer the questioners who suggested that religion had failed as a unifying ideology. Christianity has been with us for much longer than has communism and is waning as regards overall appeal. Surely it is fatuous to argue that such an ideology is sufficiently strong to combat communism which is growing in the strength of its appeal especially throughout Asia. Religion appeals to the humble, weak and self debasing instincts of man, therefore is unlikely to bind people together in any cause involving action more direct than passive resistance.

The communist will always make this claim of religion, that it has always bolstered up those interests which exploited the poor, thus it is of little use to point to the qualities of goodness, mercy and love professed by the Christian faith. The Christian policy has been that of bearing all evils rather than acting against them despite the story of the whipping of the money lenders in the temple.

However, if Mr. Hyde's replies to questions were not always satisfactory, he skillfully appeared to deal with all points without answering the question asked.

# HALL SURVIVES BIRTH

## NOW BRUCE HALL

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor L. G. H. Huxley, announced that the first hall of residence in the School of General Studies is to be known in future as Bruce Hall.

The Vice-Chancellor said that the University would be doing honour to itself if the name of the first Chancellor was perpetuated within the University by being associated with one of its more important buildings. Lord Bruce, a former Prime Minister of Australia, who resigned as Chancellor on 12th May, graciously consented to allow his name to be used in this way.

Bruce Hall which was opened earlier this year provides single study bedrooms for 160 men and women students. All Australian States are represented among those in residence through the largest contingent by far comes from New South Wales (88). Eighteen residents, including four women students, come from overseas. The Warden is Mr. W. P. Packard who took up his appointment earlier in the year.

Mr. Packard, who is married with four children, is a former Rhodes Scholar, and is a graduate of the University of New Zealand. For the five years before coming to Canberra he was senior lecturer in geography and Warden to Rolleston House men's hostel in the University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand.

# "NOAH" CAST AND REHEARSING

The University Theatre Group's production is well under way with rehearsals in full swing and the play rapidly taking shape.

The play, "Noah" by Andre Obey, is the biblical story of Noah, placed, however, in a timeless setting. The characters are modern, and their reactions to the great happenings around them are as applicable today, with our fear of nuclear war, as they were in biblical times.

We have cast the play entirely from University students, and we are gathering up back-stage and front of house staff also from the student body. There is still great need for anyone who is at all interested, even if he or she is only available for one performance.

The show is on the last two weekends of term—Friday, 28th July, Saturday 29th, Friday, 4th August, and Saturday 5th.

# WHY NO CHEESES?

Mr. Mus went along to a religious meeting. It was a fiery exhortation to tolerance, charity, and on the problems of existence. Mr. Mus interposed, "Why is the existence of cheeses not as abundant as formerly?" And they shouted at him in indignant wrath: "Cheeses! What has the Word to do with cheeses?" He shook his head sorrowfully and went his way.

(Verily, 'tis difficult to practice what you preach.)  
La Fontana.

# THE LAW BALL

28th July

# New bods and buildings at A.N.U.

## New Quarters For The Geology Department

The Geology Department now occupies portion of the west wing of the Physics Building. In this new location Geology I classes are held on the ground floor where a map room, space for the main rock and mineral collections, and a technical laboratory are also situated. Advanced classes and research facilities will be provided on the first floor, where the offices of the teaching staff are located.

The teaching and research facilities of the Department of Geology will be housed in the Physics Building pending the construction of a Geology building, which will also be sited on University Avenue, between Sullivan's Creek and the new Chemistry Building now under construction.

## New Lecturer in Russian

Miss Tatjana Cizova has arrived in Canberra to take up her appointment as lecturer in Russian in the School of General Studies of the Australian National University.

Miss Cizova is a graduate of the Universities of Sydney and London, and also holds the Oxford Post-graduate Diploma in Slavonic Studies.

From 1955 to 1956 she taught in the School of Slavonic and East European Studies in the University of London and subsequently at the Universities of Birmingham, Oxford and Leeds. Miss Cizova's special field of interest is nineteenth century Russian literature and thought.

## New Lecturers in English and Oriental Civilization

Two new members of staff who have been appointed to teaching posts in the School of General Studies of the Australian National University have arrived in Canberra.

They are Mr. W. S. Ramson, lecturer in English, and Dr. Helmut Loofs, lecturer in Oriental Civilization.

Mr. Ramson, a Master of Arts of the Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, was appointed to a Teaching Fellowship in the English Language Department of the University of Sydney in 1955. He later held a British Council Scholarship at University College, London, returning to Sydney University in 1960. While in London, where he was attached to the Communication Research Centre, Mr. Ramson took part in studies to determine the efficacy of the language used in business and governmental organisations, and his paper on the language of advertising has since been accepted for publication.

Dr. Loofs is a Doctor of Philosophy of the International University of Fribourg, Switzerland and also holds the Diploma of the School of Oriental Languages, Paris. His particular field of interest is South-East Asian history and ethnology and his languages include Cambodian, Vietnamese, Classical Malay, Bahasa Indonesia and Sanskrit. Dr. Loofs has spent six years in South-East Asia. He has also participated in an expedition to Tierra del Fuego with the Musée de l'Homme, Paris, and has worked with the Museum of History in Berne and the Museum for Ethnology in West Berlin.

## New Lecturer in Mathematics

Dr. Michael Newman, who was appointed to a lectureship in mathematics in the School of General Studies of the Australian National University earlier this year, has arrived in Canberra.

Dr. Newman, who is 26, is a Master of Science of the University of Sydney of the University of Manchester and a Doctor of Philosophy where he held a Gowrie Post-graduate Scholarship. He was previously assistant lecturer in mathematics at the University College of North Staffordshire.

# Overseas Student Gleanings

## ENGLAND

Cambridge "Varsity" won the 6th national student-newspaper competition for the Daily Mirror Cup. This is the second time Cambridge has competed and last year they were also successful. The decision is based upon three consecutive editions of the paper issued during the last term. This year too Cambridge competed for the first time in the Daily Mirror Competition for the best feature and was awarded second prize after "Gongster" (Nottingham). (Varsity, Cambridge.)

## ESTABLISHMENT OF U.N. UNIVERSITY

The establishment of a United Nations University was proposed by the Director of Research at the International Industrial Development Centre at the Stanford Research Institute, Dr. Eugene Staley. The detailed proposal provides for a series of regional centres of learning, at which predominantly graduate students would continue their studies. In the natural sciences there should not be any problem at such a U.N. University. But social sciences and the humanities should also be included in the programme, if the students are granted the freedom to ask questions and the professors of the different economic systems given equal time to expound their philosophies. Special attention should be given the pure and applied sciences, which form a better basis for peaceful and harmonious relations among the peoples of the world and for more rapid development of the young nations. (U.N. on Campus, New York.)

## AUSTRIA

The Vienna Transport Company had little success when it tried to solve its employee problem by hiring students. Only 20 students registered for work after the first call in December and of those only about half were willing to work 20 hours a week as streetcar conductors. The Transport Company then wrote personal letters to a large part of the student body. This time they had even less success. Only about a half dozen showed interest in the half-time work. (Die Presse, Vienna.)

## HUNGARY

The number of workers' and peasants' children attending the Hungarian Universities and Training Colleges has been reduced from 90 to 50 per cent.

The Hungarian Government was compelled to take this measure, because the graduates, for whom the final examinations had been made easier for political reasons, proved themselves incapable of fulfilling the demands of their professions. The numerous clauses for the immatriculation was suspended and all who have not passed their University Entrance Examination have to sit an extra examination, which is to exclude the less talented.

Until now those without "University Entrance" were trained for the university in a twelve-months "pressure-cooker" course. In the meantime, the bursary-system has been altered and the exemption from fees for High School education suspended. The amount of the bursaries was reduced and conditioned by the annual income of the parents. On the other hand, students are awarded scholarship grants quiet independent of their home and financial circumstances. The low costs of student restaurants and hostels have remained unchanged. (La Croix, Paris.)

# OPEN LETTER TO J.F.K.

## WARNING TO U.S. PRESIDENT

Dear Mr. Kennedy,

I hope you are telling all your secret agreements to Lyndon Johnson, your Vice-President. You see Vice-Presidents have a way of becoming important every twenty years, and that's now. You don't believe me! Let the facts speak for themselves.

Year Elected	President	Replaced By	Term Served	Reason
1840	W. H. Harrison	J. Tyler	1 month	Died
1860	A. Lincoln	A. Johnson	4 years 1 month	Assassinated
1880	J. A. Garfield	C. Arthur	6 months	Assassinated
1900	W. McKinley	T. Roosevelt	4 years 6 months	Assassinated
1920	W. G. Harding	C. Coolidge	2 years 5 months	Died
1940	F. D. Roosevelt	H. S. Truman	12 years 1 month	Died

You won the election of 1960, which means you must be real lucky. Maybe you can get Congress to pass a bill which will repeal the Law of Averages. Or you could renew your policies, not the Foreign ones, I mean Insurance.

Best wishes for the future,

WAL PETERSSON.

P.S. Have you kept up your Blue Cross, Jack?

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## DEBATES

If you want to go to Melbourne and if you have ever debated, see George Martin or Heather Sutherland about the Interschool Debating trip. The Debate Festival lasts from the 14th August to the 22nd August, and accommodation AND entertainment are provided by Melbourne University. Fares will be subsidized to some extent by the S.R.C. It would be well worth while to go; if not from the point of view of debating, certainly from the entertainment aspect.

Heather Sutherland.



# UPPER HOUSES - A LEGISLATIVE ANACHRONISM

Mr. Don Dunstan, U.B., who is the deputy leader of the Opposition in the South Australian House of Assembly, addressed a lunch-time crowd of about 50 at the Arts Building on the subject "Upper Houses — a Legislative Anachronism."

He came straight to the point by declaring the function of parliament, which is to represent the people. In order to do this only one house is needed, as a second chamber, if democratically elected, would only mirror the composition of the lower house, thereby becoming pointless.

The proposition that in the event of there being only one house a labour government would pass revolutionary measures, is invalidated by two considerations: (a) Labour had a majority in both houses in N.S.W. for many years, yet no such legislation ensued; (b) It is not the prerogative of any privileged group to hold the government to account, but is that of the people as a whole at triennial elections.

Thus the issue of whether upper houses should have veto or delaying powers is rather absurd since they (upper houses) are unnecessary unless the power is given to minority to stay the will of the majority.

Mr. Dunstan then went on to outline the history of the various State Legislative Councils. All of these were designed at the outset to act as a brake on democracy in the 19th century and had continued to be so to this day.

In South Australia the Legislative Council, which has at times been described as a "Repository for superannuated dodos," sits for 109 hours a year and is elected by household suffrage. This means that only property owners are allowed to vote.

In Victoria, a peculiarity in Australia, the Upper House is elected by universal suffrage, but has failed to function as an effective house of review.

The N.S.W. Legislative Council is elected by a joint sitting of members of both houses who choose 15

He came straight to the M.L.C.s every three years for terms of twelve years each. These people who are not responsible to anybody, receive free travel and £500 annually.

In the property controlled Upper Houses of Western Australia and Tasmania, Bills proposed by labour governments have been subjected to the usual reactionary mentality. The most recent instances are capital punishment's abolition in Tasmania, and native voting rights in Western Australia.

## Upper houses out of date

From this he concluded that State upper houses were out of date and only served to thwart the will of the popularly elected governments.

The examples of New Zealand and Queensland were offered to show that bicameral legislatures are not necessary for the maintenance of democratic government.

He then alluded to the position of the Senate as the States' right house. In fact, it had never served as this or as a house of review, but had in most cases been a rubber stamp for the legislation passed by the House of Representatives. Its very nature had also hindered national development by petty squabbles.

On this note Mr. Dunstan concluded his speech and the meeting was thrown open to questions.

The first question raised was that of the gerrymander

in Queensland by the A.L.P. Mr. Dunstan acknowledged the occurrence of this but went on to point out that in his own State of South Australia the most blatant gerrymander in Australia had been acquiesced in by the Upper House. He concluded that an upper house rather than preventing a gerrymander may be more likely to assist it.

It was then put to the speaker that perhaps a radical upper house would be of some use to Labour interests, but this was rejected as an anathema to democracy as much as the existence of a reactionary Upper House.

The meeting then closed. Vic Gleeson, President of the A.L.P. Club, is to be congratulated for his personal representations in securing such an able and eloquent speaker as Mr. Dunstan. It is indeed refreshing to see a young man of Mr. Dunstan's intellectual calibre in the political arena fighting for what he believes rather than in the cynical world of angry young men.

TONY WHITLAM, Secretary A.L.P. Club.

# The New S.R.C. In Action

S.R.C. Meeting Held 18th June, 1961

Professor Burton attended, and was of great assistance with suggestions and with indicating his approval of the plan to sell books on University grounds at a discount.

Editorship of Prometheus to be advertised following the unofficial resignation of Ron Fraser who has not the time to devote to this at present.

Theatre Group Grant: £30 for a producers' fee granted as they could not find an amateur producer. (Mrs. Ford is doing it.) The group was also granted £50 for sets and costumes, £40 for the costs of the Eisteddfod play, main play and general expenses.

Law Society Grant: £8/15/- for Law Dinner, £20 guarantee for the Law Ball, £23 for other functions, tickets, etc.

A.L.P. Club: £9/15/- for general grant, plus £12/10/- for expenses of delegates at A.S.L.F. conference.

W.U.S.: £5 for pencils and £2 for other expenses. Science Society: £15. Music Society: £14.

Library Users' Committee: A delegate, Bob Reece, chosen to take his place on this committee. The committee has yet to approve having a student on it, but it is known that at least the Associate Librarian, Miss Campbell-Smith, is very much in favour.

Financial details of the Revue still not known. Losses great.

£15 legal costs granted, to cover Messrs. Nicholson and Fraser.

Letter has now been set to the Administration to ask for a dividing curtain for the Common Room.

Theatre Group given use of room at rear of the Common Room.

No changes to be asked for concerning the running of the buttery.

For your information: Future S.R.C. meetings to be held on Monday evenings at 8.30 p.m.

# WHAT PRICE MORALITY?

For the past two thousand years Western morality has been held in the strangle-hold of the Christian religion. Through their gospels we are told what our attitude to sex must be.

For these hundreds of years religious teachers have exhorted the world to despise premarital intercourse; have taught that it is wrong, that the wrath of Judgment will surely uphold the Word, which in Corinthians I Chapter 6, verses 13-19, reads "... Now the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord ... Flee fornication ... He that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body. What? Know ye not your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost."

This whole conception demands that we recognise the evilness of fornication. Looked at logically and impartially, fornication cannot be regarded as wrong; unadvised yes, in view of its sometimes consequences, but emphatically not evil, filthy or wrong.

## Impression is one of pleasure

Looking at the act itself, the first impression is one of pleasure and that something which brings so much enjoyment should be condemned and defiled is something which escapes my reasoning. I just cannot conceive the type of mind which bred this idea.

The whole idea rests on the notion that the union of two people of opposite sexes, whether inside or outside marriage, is necessarily filthy. But why? Why should this beautiful act, out of which sometimes comes the great miracle of creation, be regarded with the same revulsion as a refuse pit, which is an offence to all five senses. Is it logical? No, stop! I put the question, is it Truth?

Even now, although no court law exists to prohibit premarital intercourse, "pro-vice" of course the girl is

over a certain age, still the social law, the dealers in gossip, those groups of public-minded and pious ladies who gather together to condemn, all conspire to ruin the character of the fallen. These people, whose minds are so irrevocably perverted, represent a danger to a healthy community and a scourge to our civilisation.

What is your attitude? What do you think? No, I am not asking what you have been taught, but what you think, or is it possible that you are ignoring this subject, which poses one of the most important questions to trouble the minds of men from the Pelagian heresy to the present.

## What about marriage?

I know you have been taught to decry and despise fornication, but what about marriage? What is your attitude here? Marriage is holy, n'est-ce pas; it is a sacrament, right? That act regarded with so much contempt outside marriage thus becomes a beautiful sign of love inside. What hypocrisy! What utter rubbish!

Even Paul was not as hypocritical, he at least made the same mistake twice. You who are married, do you regard your marriage as a mere licence for fornication? If it is possible that you do, you will be in full agreement with the blessed and holy Saint Paul, who writes in Corinthians I, chapter 7, verses 1-9, "It is good for a man not to touch a woman. Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband ... I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, it is good for them if they abide even as I. But, if they cannot contain, let them marry, for it is better to marry than to burn."

This, dear brethren, is help up as God's Word. The Truth, the temporal and eternal Truth.

I am guilty of gross understatement when I merely say that Paul was wrong. That any thinking, sane human being should have followed Paul's teaching on this point is beyond my comprehension. The difference between fornication, lust and conjugal intercourse, for Paul, is a bit of paper, a priestly blessing.

The whole idea of sexual intercourse was regarded by the early church as being filthy. Marriage was blessed, but virginity was held up as the standard. This point of view is not only unbiological, it is entirely opposed to the methods and meaning of creation. It is gnd nast dsheeral t i-wrong and stands here accused.

Many illegitimate births occur each year, and the breakers of our righteous marriage-ETAOI HT HTA moral code stand condemned before society. It is time that the question was re-examined both by the church and society.

Sexual intercourse is wrong, I agree; but it is wrong only because society thinks this, and breaking the laws of society is wrong, again only because the lawbreaker is conscious of his own guilt. Rid our society of this feeling of guilt, and of the premarital voodoo which is associated with the opposite sex.

## Society is hypocritical

Society is not only wrong, but hypocritical. Suggest to the devout man that marriage is purely licensed fornication, and he will be overcome with horror. He obviously wants to have his cake and eat it too. I ask that the church as represented in this university justify its position. Either one accepts both teachings of Paul, or neither. Both are an offence against reason, but if society persists in its attitude, let it at least refrain from this piece of blatant hypocrisy.

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# I WRITE AS I PLEASE

by Ibrahim Ariff

At last, my fears regarding the failure of the formation of the East West Club are over now, think God. Some keen organisers have finally volunteered to assist in the running of the Club.

This is a healthy sign and I am sure within a short space of time we will all be able to see the Club's plans put into action.

From what I gather, the East West Club does not aim at overthrowing other existing clubs nor does it aim at competing with them. It is just another club formed to get people together no matter what they are and who they may be.

I was talking to an old Canberra resident the other day when the question of the formation of this Club came up rather suddenly in the course of our conversation. It happened when he was mentioning just how "friendly" the people were.

"You know something, mate, I have lived in this place for nearly fifteen years now, and apart from exchanging occasional hellos and smiles, some of us even hardly know who are neighbours are."

"It is not that we are that unfriendly, but it is rather a question of convention. People seldom take any interest in their neighbours," the old man explained.

This, however, reminds me of another similar situation that we normally witness in our Common Room. We won't fail to find groups, and more groups of students, who keep firmly to their own particular circles. This thing happens to both the Asian and the Australian students (without any racial prejudice).

Students, both Asians and Australians, who came from either Sydney or Melbourne remarked that they expected those in Canberra to be more friendly. They are friendly, alright, but you just don't get accepted into their circles until you have tried all means and ways.

Perhaps it is again another pure convention that some students here seldom talk to one another except for an occasional, or rather accidental, hello. I don't know!

You see them every day and you expect to break the ice and get to know them better but usually what you achieve out of your enthusiasm is a formal "God day," and that's about all.

Above all, there are still blokes who apart from playing aloof do not even have the courtesy of returning a polite smile and a sincere greeting. Don't tell me this is one of those conventions again.

Nevertheless, I must stress one very important point here, that is, while there seems to be class distinction here, there are undoubtedly, and undeniably, various really good citizens who sincerely play hosts and really play well at it. But these friendly hosts, unfortunately, happen to fall into the minority group.

It is not my intention to create another friction here, but, let us forget, let me point out to you all just how much we are missing every day by ignoring the existence of the other fellow beings around us.

It isn't necessarily important that all of you become members of this Club if you don't want to. For all I know and for all I can say the Club need not be formed at all if people are already well aware of their social obligations to one another.

You may turn round and say, well, there are other clubs besides the East West Club, which open their doors to everybody! Fair enough. But while other clubs prosper why can't the East West Club do likewise; after all as a social, cultural and international organisation, it too can play as important an academic

role as any of the other clubs.

But, here again, we need to think carefully as to the differences in the aims and objectives of the Club.

How far have we gone socially as a social being? Why?! Even now some of us hardly know the names of the other mates doing the same course and attending the same lecture with us.

To the part time students, here is a warning. Don't ever think that you are being excluded from any of the activities planned by the various organisations in the University.

Remember, whether you are married, betrothed, divorced or single, you are still one of us. There is still greater need for your co-operation and moral support as well as enthusiasm and anticipation in any of the University's activities.

My advise to those who prefer to remain in clans, and to maintain their orthodox way of forming groups, is just simple:

Break up the clan-feeling in you before it breaks you up.

Now, to something smoother and milder. Most of the First Year Statistics students are, I am sure, very sorry to have to miss Dr. Leser who is now on his way for another university post in Dublin.

Those who have been with him in the course of the studies, will no doubt agree with me that he has been an understanding, friendly and helpful lecturer despite the strain and the state of his health which he had to go through.

Therefore, let us all pray that his transfer will not only better his prospects but also his health in particular! We are no doubt sorry to lose him for he is a jolly good old fellow. (So say all of us.)

Meanwhile, in welcoming the replacement, there is yet something to be considered. The students have another job of adapting themselves to the bearings of the new lecturer (pardon me, Sir). The new appointee, likewise, will have a tough job trying to study the intimate enthusiasm of the individual student, doing the course, besides merely remembering their names at the Tutorials.

It took Dr. Leser some five months to be able to form his own opinions on any student, and the new lecturer will have less than four months to do so. Things often change (for the better or otherwise), and opinions sometimes differ. So, all the best.

It is really encouraging to see once again students strictly observing the rules in the library.

Never has SILENCE been so strictly observed today than it was just before this column made its debut recently.

But what is so annoying still is the sort of voices, rather kittenish and uninteresting, being exchanged across the counter at odd intervals. (Pardon me, ma'am, they don't seem to have the same sex-appeal as that of Marilyn Monroe's or Brigitte Bardot's!!) What's so funny about these voices is that they don't normally come from the students. Have a guess then ... Well, if you don't mind, please tone it down a bit next time. Just pity the poor struggling souls trying to make full use of whatever time they have in the library. After all not everybody has that much time to waste every day!

If you are being criticised, you should not take offence seriously. You should be proud, yes, really PROUD that at least you had done something worth talking about. Amen.



# UNIVERSITY RUGBY DISINTEGRATING

## Dave voices player's opinions

The form of recent weeks indicates a drastic downward trend in both enthusiasm and teamwork.

The forwards, reshuffled after an arm injury to Sav Harasymir, are playing less well and it is obvious that even at this stage of the season, some players are not in condition. Alan Ward and Jack Riley are continuing to inspire the "big eight" and it is pleasing to observe Riley's performances at lock-forward. He is big and fast and continually strives to find that vital break in tight forward play. "Poppy" Ward is still found at the bottom of most rucks. Tim Clarke on the side of the scrum continues to play well but I am inclined to think he has lost some of the dash that was clearly evident earlier in the season. Pleased to see Graeme Hargreaves and Ront Ordish run with the Firsts in recent weeks. Graeme appears to be fitter than ever and is playing inspired football. It may be due to the fact that he



Dave Funnell

is doing a little more walking since the Skoda has been playing up.

Gwilym Davies has fortunately returned to half-back for the Firsts. The backline of Chandler, Fisher,

Trevellan and Carter is playing very spasmodic football and a match or two in the Seconds could live them up. Peter Fisher made a welcome return to form against R.M.C. I and we hope it continues.

The Seconds have been fielding rather depleted teams recently due to a severe outcrop of injuries. One of the most satisfying features of this team is the excellent form shown by prop Jim Kierach and second-rower Jim Starlin. Both, I feel sure, are destined to become regular First-graders if they continue to play as they are at present.

Geoff Mildren has recovered from leg injury and it would not be surprising if he soon fought his way into the Firsts. Tonga, Reg Piper, Lionel Woodward and Des Bingley continue

to give valuable service to the backline. There is a rumour that the Seconds have a new second-rower in the form of Col (Thumpy) McAlister. Paul Ribauw has also gone back into training.

In recent weeks the Firsts have lost to Ainslie (10-11), Royals (5-15) and R.M.C. I (0-3), while registering wins against Queanbeyan (9-3) and Combined Services (11-3). Seconds have lost to Royals (7-18), Ainslie (0-19), Staff (5-29); drawn with R.M.C. II (3-3); and beaten Queanbeyan (11-9).

The U-18 team is slowly finding its way to the top of the table where it belongs. The Grub continues to play and someone tells me that Jon Craig is back in training.

David W. Funnell.

# Men's Hockey Team Inconsistent

University on June 24 defeated Barton 3-1 after suffering three convincing losses. This news put them back into the final four in the competition.

On June 17 in a scrappy game they lost 4-1 to Presbyterians, this being the first match Presbyterians have won this year. University previously beat them 2-0. University lacked its former drive and there was a serious lack of teamwork. The goal was scored by Geoff and Geo but at no stage of the game did the forward line function as a whole. However, this defeat did not apply to all grades for in A Reserve Grade they enjoyed their second but greatest win of the season. They convincingly defeated Old Canberrans 7-1, the goal-scorers being Ian Crup with a total of four goals, Ross Crichton with three and Jim Mackey with one.

In B1 Grade, in a fast game, they enjoyed their second and greatest draw of the season, with Barton 2-2. This is the second draw, not yet having the drive and patience to win. The goal-scorer was Bob Arthur, with the defence centred around Neil Tuckwell and Brian Gleeson.

Over the long weekend eleven hockey players plus extras migrated to Sydney for the SCAD competition. After managing to find one another Saturday night was spent in a way detrimental to normal health which in once cast much disapproval of a floor show. The matches (hockey) were played on grounds at the Uni of N.S.W. at Kensington. Amidst the somewhat spark-

ling dress and good health of the other teams, Canberra did not look particularly at home or well-dressed. They lost 2-1 to N.S.W., losing early in the match two players with injuries and being replaced by two former spectators. Sydney Uni defeated 6-1 and R.M.C. managed also to defeat them 1-0.

The defeats were forgotten on Sunday night at a barbecue amidst the sandstone and sub-tropical vegetation of Bull's Head Reserve. The night was spent frantically cooking one's fingers with some sausages, having a few small drinks and scurrying off into the scrub to seek shelter from occasional spasms of rain. Towards the end of the proceedings several malpractices became evident much to the discomfort of some unprepared people including a violent and vivid verbal easing of one individual's thoughts.

On June 24, the A Grade team played well and defeated Barton 3-1, goal-scorers being Geo, Gleeson and Smithies. Most of the game was spent in attacking and University may have well won by more. At Duntroon the A Reserve Grade team were resoundingly defeated by R.M.C. 5-0. They lacked the drive in the forward line of the previous week and at times position play was weak. Also at Duntroon the B1 Grade team lost 4-1 to

R.M.C. The University team was beaten principally on fitness, the effects of the previous week telling on certain people. The goal was scored by Bob Arthur but many useful breakthroughs were created by Geoff White on the right wing. To provide an element of pre-game conquest and for intimidation the University team heralded its coming by arriving as a unit of nine in a jeep.

On July 1 the A Grade team played a hard and very fast game in muddy conditions to lose 4-2 to Central. Losing 2-0 at half time, an all out effort on attack in the beginning of the second half resulted in two goals to even the score but Central gained the upper hand in the last twenty minutes and made the score 4-2. Goal-scorers for University were Bailey and Geo. Also at Majura the A Reserve team won their match against Baptist 4-3, goal-scorers being Ian Crup, Ian Mackay, Frank Batini and John Newman. In a "spectacular" game at Reid the B1 team were narrowly defeated 2-1 by St. Pats. It seems at last that this team is getting something approaching an effective forward line. Our goal was effectively kept by John Rayner who used means other than his own type of hockey to intimidate the opponents. The goal-scorer for University was Neil Tuckwell.

# Women's Hockey Teams Well Placed

C.A.N.S.

With the second round of the Women's Hockey competition well under way, both University teams are almost sure of semifinal places.

The Firsts, who have beaten all but one team, are in second place in their grade. They have lost only two matches, and each of those by only one goal.

The Seconds are in third place, and appear sure to reach at least the final.

In recent matches, the Firsts have shown great form. They beat YCW 5-2, Canberra High 4-2, and Evergreens 2-0.

In a hard match last week they were beaten 3-2 by Telopea I. University led 2-1 in the second half, after Jane Woodrow and Heather Cartwright had scored. With full time near and Uni trailing 3-2, Kathy Worthington and Jane Woodrow made a brilliant burst down the centre of the field, beating all the opposition defence, only to be robbed of the goal by an erring umpire who blew the final whistle as Kathy netted the ball.

The Seconds have mixed brilliant play with poor play. In one afternoon they defeated Evergreens III 13-0, and Lynham High 4-0. The following week they were defeated 1-0 by Telopea III. Full marks go to Vita Kalme who scored 12 goals in one afternoon.

The Seconds' passage to the grand final will not be as easy as that of the Firsts, but they can do it, and a little bit of encouragement from the rest of the University would not go astray.

This year, contrary to expectations of all except those closely connected with the club, the girls did remarkably well in the shield competition against Sydney I and II and Newcastle. (Armidale were unable to attend.)

The girls were unlucky to play Sydney I first, and were beaten 8-1, a decided improvement on last year. Also it must be remembered that Sydney I is placed second in the Sydney First Grade competition.

After this bitter blow, the girls rallied to beat Sydney II 2-0, and then played a 1-all draw with Newcastle. As Sydney II defeated Newcastle, Canberra was placed second.

## Outstanding hockey

The matches against Newcastle and Sydney II produced outstanding hockey with the results in doubt until the final whistle.

The trip also outlined the remarkable improvement of the University players this year. Heather Cartwright, a beginner to hockey this year, is quickly becoming a nuisance to the opposing defence, while other new arrivals to the club — Jill Styles, Janet Moore, Sue Howe, Gwen Gilbert and Kathy Youngman — all play good hockey. And the "old warriors" should not be forgotten either.

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# KULTURAL SEKSHUN

Lately I have been much disturbed by the cruel lack of fine songs for singing—a fact which frustrates the light-hearted faculties of students.

To help remedy this, I offer the following songs, which have been plagiarised.

Bobov Devianov.

## OMSK

(Tune: Volga Boatmen)  
When Serge and I were boys

We used to live in Omsk, Where we spent our time Learning to make Bomsk. When Serge and I grew up We went away to Tomsk, Where we spent our time Manufacturing Bomsk. La-la, la-la-la-la manufacturing Bomsk.

When Serge and I were caught They took us to Murmansk, Where we spent our time Fabricating Plansk.

When Serge and I escaped We hitch-hiked back to Omsk, And blew up all the burgeoisie

With our beautiful Bomsk. La-la, la-la-la-la with our beautiful Bomsk.

Now Serge is Commissar Of the Soviet of Omsk, And I am Commissar Of the Soviet of Tomsk. But we will not give up Our counter-revolutionary plots, For we are agents of Our exiled comrade Trotsk. La-la, la-la-la-la our exiled comrade Trotsk.

RED FLY THE BANNERS, O (Tune: Green Grow the Rushes, O)

I'll sing you one, O, Red fly the banners, O, What is your one, O? One is workers unity and ever more shall be it so.



Two, two the man's own hands working for his living, O.

Three, three the Rights of Man.

Four for the Four Years taken.

Five for the years of the Five Year Plan.

Six for the Tolpuddle Martyrs.

Seven for the seven day working week.

Eight for the Eighth Red Army.

Nine for the days of the General Strike.

Ten for the days that shook the world.



Lord, what a time of the morning to get up! But at the end of the day it was worth it.

The ski trip to Smiggins was a roaring success despite the fact that it snowed all day. A full bus and one jeep of sleeping bag cocoons covered the slopes at Smiggins mostly with heads in the snow and skis in the air. Luckily everybody had filled up in Cooma at breakfast time as lunch was usually forgotten by mid-afternoon.

Mr. Wal Petterson gave skiing lessons to beginners. This service was arranged by the Ski Club so now we know how to start correctly even if we still end up with clothes full of snow.

Some skiers showed great proficiency and reached the top of a ski lift without falling off even if they did come down rather more erratically than they went up.

All too soon the bus left the chalet and we chuffed off home—entertained by a two man variety show of Jack Wajcman (pronounced wiseman) and Chris Simon. Do you know what Machiavelli said in 1513? Ask Jack!

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